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Re: Revised Decision Document – RIA 16
Environmental Baseline Survey
Former South Weymouth NAS
RTN 3-2621
September 8, 2003

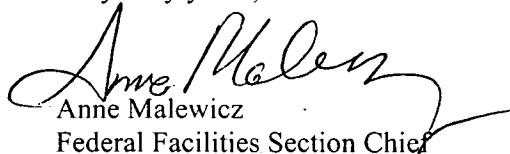
Dear Mr. Leipert:

The Department has reviewed the revised *Decision Document for Review Item Area 16, Sewage Lift Station*, dated April 11, 2003, and accepts the recommendation for no further action under the EBS program.

In addition to closeout under the EBS program, a determination about the need for closeout of the associated septic tank in accordance with 310 CMR 15.354 is also necessary. The decision document is unclear about whether or not the associated septic tank should be closed. In particular, the response to our September 5, 2000 comment on the matter indicates that the tank was still in use early in 2001, while the removal report included in Appendix 16-2 of the revised decision document, dated May 15, 2002, indicates that the tank has been disconnected from the base sewer system for more than 20 years. Consequently, the Department requests that the Navy determine whether or not the tank is in active use and confer with the South Shore Tri-Town Development Corporation (SSTTDC) to determine whether or not the tank will be retained after transfer. The tank should be decommissioned in accordance with 310 CMR 15.354 if inactive or if the SSTTDC does not intend to reuse or reactivate it.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact David Chaffin, Project Manager at (617) 348-4005.

Very truly yours,


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